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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP, PN  
SUBJ: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATY

REF: STATE 200243, MONTEVIDEO 4046, MONTEVIDEO 4068,  
STATE 202611

1. MORNING PRESS OF AUGUST 26 CARRIED AP AND UPI STORIES OUT OF WASHINGTON REPORTING OAS INVITATION TO CHIEFS OF STATE TO A TREATY SIGNING CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 7. REPORTS ALSO MENTIONED THE POSSIBILITY THAT PRESIDENTS OF HEMISPHERE MIGHT BE ASKED TO SIGN THE NEUTRALITY TREATY WHICH WOULD BE DEPOSITED IN THE OAS. PRESS STORIES DIFFER SOMEWHAT AS TO PRESIDENTS WHO HAVE ACCEPTED OAS SYG INVITATION. PRESIDENTS OF BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, COSTA RICA, HONDURAS, ECUADOR, EL SALVADOR, MEXICO, PARAGUAY, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, JAMAICA, AND TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ARE REPORTED AS HAVING AGREED TO ATTEND. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HERE IS STILL TAKING THE LINE THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN FORMALLY APPROACHED AS YET.

2. I WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION AS TO WHICH PRESIDENTS HAVE AGREED TO ATTEND. THE GOU WILL BE INTERESTED PARTICULARLY  
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IN THE REACTIONS RECEIVED FROM BRAZIL AND SOUTHER CONE COUNTRIES.

3. UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY, IF ASKED BY PRESS WE WILL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OF PRESIDENT MENDEZ'S ATTENDING A SIGNING CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON UNDER THE OAS MANTLE.

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